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An award winning book that was hailed as one of the "Best Novels of 2010" will be the next topic of the Friends of the Plainville Public Library Book Discussion Group. "The Girl Who Fell from the Sky" by Heidi Durrow won the Bellwether Prize for fiction.

This debut novel tells the story of Rachel, the daughter of a Danish mother and a black G.I. who becomes the sole survivor of a family tragedy. With her strict African American grandmother as her new guardian, Rachel moves to a mostly black community, where her light brown skin, blue eyes, and beauty bring mixed attention her way. Growing up in the 1980s, she learns to swallow her overwhelming grief and confronts her identity as a biracial young woman in a world that wants to see her as either black or white. Meanwhile, a mystery unfolds, revealing the terrible truth about Rachel's last morning on a Chicago rooftop.

The free program will be held on Tuesday, February 28 at 7:00 p.m. at the Plainville Public Library. Extra copies of the book are available and new members to the discussion group are always welcome.

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